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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Executive Director Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia SC 29210

Re: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Establishment of Solar Choice Metering Tariffs Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 Docket Nos. 2020-264-E and 2020-265-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

On December 17, 2020, the Clerk's Office issued a Revised Notice of Filing and Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines (the "Revised Notice") in the above-referenced dockets, along with a transmittal letter instructing Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") and Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP and, together with DEC, the "Companies") to publish the Revised Notice in newspapers of general circulation one time on or before January 6, 2021. The Companies were also instructed to furnish the Revised Notice to customers via bill insert on or before January 6, 2021. On December 18, 2020, the Companies filed a letter notifying the Commission that they were unable to comply with the January 6, 2021 deadline to provide the Revised Notice to customers via bill insert. Due to the quickly approaching holidays and short timeframe provided, the Companies began the process of having the Revised Notice published in newspapers of general circulation. On December 23, 2020, the Clerk's Office issued the 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Notice of Filing and Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines (the "2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Notice") in these dockets, along with a transmittal letter extending the deadline for both bill inserts and newspaper publication through February 22, 2021.

Many of the newspaper publications had already been approved by the Companies on December 23, 2020 and the Companies were therefore unable to retract the publication of the Revised Notice. Accordingly, please find enclosed for filing on behalf of DEC and DEP the Affidavits of Publication for the Revised Notice in the above-referenced dockets. The Companies caused the Revised Notice to be published in fourteen (14) newspapers having general coverage in their service territories between the dates of December 29, 2020 and January 6, 2021.

To ensure customers were permitted the opportunity to view the 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Notice issued by the Clerk's Office on December 23, 2021, the Companies also caused the 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Notice to be published in newspapers having general coverage in their service territories. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised

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Notice ran in the same fourteen (14) newspapers one time between the dates of January 18, 2021 and January 28, 2021. Upon receipt of the Affidavit of Publication from News and Press, the Companies became aware that an incorrect version of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Notice was published in News and Press on January 27, 2021. The Companies contacted News and Press upon discovery of the error and caused a corrected version of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Notice to be published on February 17, 2021. The Affidavits of Publication for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Notice are enclosed for filing on behalf of DEC and DEP, including both of the Affidavits of Publication from News and Press.

Pursuant to the transmittal letter filed by the Clerk's Office on December 23, 2020, both the Revised Notice and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Notice were published one time in newspapers of general circulation in the Companies' territories on or before February 22, 2021.

By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record via electronic mail.

Sincerely,

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Parties of record